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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
: Examiner: S.R. Pannala
RYO FUJIMOTO, et al.)
: Group Art Unit: 2167
Application No.: 09/458,689)
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Filed: December 10, 1999)
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For: IMAGE MANAGING APPARATUS)
AND METHOD, IMAGE RETRIEVING :
APPARATUS AND METHOD, AND)
STORAGE MEDIUM : August 12, 2005

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT


Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 12, 2005, in connection with which
a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is being filed concurrently herewith, please amend
the above-identified application, as follows:

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